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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL RELATIONS, ENERGY, AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN ALAN OLSON**, on February 12, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Alan Olson, Chairman (R)
Rep. George G. Groesbeck, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Harry Klock, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Scott Boggio (R)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Rep. Dave Gallik (D)
Rep. Dennis Himmelberger (R)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Rep. Diane Rice (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Bill Thomas (D)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Todd Everts, Legislative Branch
Cindy Peterson, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 558, 2/5/2007
Executive Action: HB 25

HEARING ON HB 558

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:03 Rep. Franke Wilmer (D), HD 64, opened the hearing on HB 558, Purchase of fuel efficient vehicles by state.

EXHIBIT (feh31a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:09:07 Matt Leow, MontPIRG
00:12:55 Matt Elsaesser, SAV Foundation
00:14:16 Chuck Magraw, Natural Resource Defense Council and
Renewable Northwest Project

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:16:16 Rep. Driscoll
00:16:49 Rep. Wilmer
00:17:27 Rep. Olson
00:17:48 Rep. Wilmer
00:18:46 Rep. Olson
00:19:05 Rep. Wilmer

Closing by Sponsor:

00:19:17 Rep. Wilmer

00:21:14 Break
00:24:27 Reconvene

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON 25

Discussion:

00:26:14 Rep. Stahl
00:26:40 John Fitzpatrick, Northwestern Energy
00:42:15 Rep. Jones
00:43:32 Doug Mood, Commissioner, Montana Public Service
Commission, (PSC)

EXHIBIT (feh31a02)

00:51:03 Rep. Jones
00:52:06 Commissioner Mood
00:54:42 Rep. Gallik

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00:56:41 Commissioner Mood
00:58:23 Rep. Gallik
00:59:36 Commissioner Mood
01:01:14 Rep. Gallik
01:01:55 Commissioner Mood
01:02:02 Rep. Gallik
01:02:25 Commissioner Mood
01:02:32 Al Brogan, PSC
01:03:00 Rep. Gallik
01:03:35 Mr. Brogan
01:04:08 Rep. Driscoll
01:04:30 Commissioner Mood
01:05:00 Rep. Driscoll
01:05:13 Commissioner Mood
01:05:55 Rep. Himmelberger
01:06:38 Brad Molnar, Commissioner, PSC
01:13:24 Rep. Himmelberger
01:13:55 David Hoffman, PPL Montana
01:17:58 Rep. Olson
01:18:20 Mr. Hoffman
01:19:44 Rep. Olson
01:19:50 Mr. Hoffman
01:20:06 Rep. Olson
01:20:15 Mr. Hoffman
01:20:33 Rep. Olson
01:21:32 Mr. Hoffman
01:22:37 Rep. Olson
01:22:53 Mr. Hoffman
01:23:57 Rep. Olson
01:24:07 Mr. Hoffman
01:24:53 Rep. Olson
01:25:04 Mr. Hoffman
01:26:25 Rep. Stahl
01:26:37 Mr. Hoffman
01:27:11 Rep. Stahl
01:27:24 Mr. Hoffman
01:28:02 Rep. Himmelberger
01:28:25 Doug Hardy, Montana Electric Cooperatives
01:28:55 Rep. Himmelberger
01:29:03 Mr. Hardy
01:29:17 Rep. Olson
01:29:43 Mr. Fitzpatrick
01:31:32 Rep. Olson
01:31:43 Mr. Fitzpatrick
01:33:45 Rep. Gallik
01:34:09 Mr. Fitzpatrick
01:34:23 Rep. Gallik
01:34:34 Mr. Fitzpatrick
01:35:49 Rep. Gallik

01:36:14 Mr. Fitzpatrick
01:37:07 Rep. Groesbeck
01:38:34 Mr. Fitzpatrick
01:40:32 Rep. Stahl
01:41:18 Mr. Fitzpatrick

01:42:10 **Motion:** Rep. Groesbeck moved that HB 25 **DO PASS AS
AMENDED.** (Previous executive action was taken on HB 25
on February 2, February 5, and February 7, 2007.)

Discussion:

01:42:46 Rep. Boggio
01:43:54 Rep. Gallik
01:46:09 Rep. Olson

01:50:11 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-4 by roll call vote with Rep.
Boggio, Rep. Gallik, Rep. Stahl, and Rep. Thomas voting
no.

ADJOURNMENT

01:51:15 Adjournment

REP. ALAN OLSON, Chairman

CINDY PETERSON, Secretary

AO/cp

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([feh31aad.pdf](#))